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Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application of:

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FOR: SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR PRODUCT TRACKING  
AND PRODUCT TEMPERATURE PROFILING

Enclosed are:

- ☒ 33 pages comprised of 1 cover sheet, 28 pages of specification, 3 pages of claims, and 1 page of abstract  
☐ Declaration & Power of Attorney  
☒ Priority Claimed from US Provisional Application No.60/327,769, filed October 10, 2001.  
☐ Certified copy of \_\_\_\_\_  
☒ 16 sheets of drawings  
☐ An assignment of the invention to \_\_\_\_\_, and the assignment recordation fee.  
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☐ Copies of IDS Citations  
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that, Bryan M. Elwood, Paul M. Steinhoff, Walter Jeff Tipton, and  
Charles G. Butts

*have invented certain new and useful improvements in*

**SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR PRODUCT TRACKING  
AND PRODUCT TEMPERATURE PROFILING**

*of which the following is a full, clear and exact description:*